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In re application of:

Suzuki et al.

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Filed: February 4, 2002

For: METHOD FOR MEASURING
KINASE ACTIVITY OF CYCLIN/CDK
COMPLEX

Art Unit:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 34 on page 31, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The recombinant protein was produced as a fusion protein with GST when the pGEX vector is used. The recombinant protein was purified by taking advantage of the fact that this GST enzyme has an affinity for glutathione (GSH). After confirming the expression